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REMARKS

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1. At 12:00 a.m. on 22 July 1952, 28 new trucks without numbers were unloaded at the Eisenach (L 51/H 26) freight station. They left in the direction of the training area, driven by soldiers who had arrived on truck [redacted] (1) 25X1

2. On 25 July, three trucks towing AA guns were seen en route from the Luetzendorf Kaserne in Weimar (M 51/J 57) to the railroad station. They returned later. At about 7 p.m., an undetermined number [redacted] 25X1  
[redacted] was loaded with an undetermined load. A large quantity of paper was burnt in the barracks yard. (2) At about 1 p.m. on 25 July, a train consisting of 20 boxcars and 20 gondola cars was sidetracked at the Weimar railroad station. Soldiers seen there wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. A number of women, a field kitchen and an undetermined number of trucks, [redacted] were also observed there. (3) 25X1

3. On 25 and 26 July, a total of about 450 soldiers were seen passing through the Wittenberg (N 52/E 37) railroad station on regular trains, coming from the direction of Frankfurt/Oder and proceeding in the direction of Dessau. On 29 July, 30 trucks, 4 AA guns and about 140 soldiers were unloaded at the Wittenberg railroad station and subsequently left for the Flak Kaserne. [redacted] 25X1

[redacted] the Wittenberg railroad station, coming from the direction of Dessau. (4) At 4:30 a.m. on 30 July, 30 trucks and about 12 heavy AA guns were unloaded at the Wittenberg railroad station. The shipment had come from the direction of Jüterbog and subsequently left for the Flak Kaserne. [redacted] 25X1

4. At 5:20 on 31 July, a troop train, consisting of 11 boxcars, carrying a total of about 200 soldiers, wearing red-bordered black epaulets, and 23 flatcars, carrying 8 x 57-mm model 1943 AT guns and 18 trucks, [redacted] 25X1

[redacted] was seen passing through the Naumburg (M 52/J 89) railroad station, proceeding in the direction of Zeitz. (6) At about 9 a.m. on 29 July, about 50 trucks were loaded on 50 flatcars in Zahna, north of Wittenberg. At 9:15 on 29 July, a train, consisting

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of an undetermined number of flatcars, carrying 13 trucks, and 11 boxcars, carrying 150 soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia was either loaded or unloaded at the Wittenberg railroad station. A truck towing an AA gun [redacted] was seen. (4) 25X1

5. On 1 August, about 200 soldiers with 10 model ZIS-3 76.2-mm artillery pieces, model 42, and about 30 trucks [redacted] were seen about 3 km west-southwest of the Luckenwalde (N 53/2 70) railroad station on the eastern edge of the Jueterbog troop training grounds. (7) 25X1

Comments

- (3) Probably one of the Hq units of the Eighth Gds Army which, according to other reports, went to Finsterwalde on that train on 26 July 1952. [redacted] 25X1

- (4) Further information is needed to determine the identity of the trains on 29 July 1952. [redacted] the second train carried units of the Third Shock Army. 25X1

- (5) [redacted] An AAA unit of the 62d AAA Div (US) probably went for practices or to be emplaced at the Elbe River bridges. [redacted] 25X1

- (6) [redacted] a unit of the Eighth Gds Army, possibly of the 57th Gds Mtz Rifle Div. 25X1

- (7) [redacted] possibly a unit of the Second Gds Mecz Army and, rather definitely, of the 1st Mecz Div which was entrained in Döberitz on 31 July 1952. [redacted] 25X1

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